



Calvary News and Notes

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This is just a short newsletter to update parents on the events going on at Calvary. Please don't hesitate to E-mail me at principal@calvarylhs.org or call me at 681-5491 if you have any questions or comments. I would sincerely appreciate if you did not receive this newsletter at your preferred E-mail address that you would send me an E-mail from that account so that I can add you to my mailing list.

As we move into the Thanksgiving celebration I am continually reminded of the blessings that God has graciously and abundantly showered upon me. Every direction that I look it is evident that God's hand holds Calvary and gently shapes it. I am pleased to work each day with one of the most wonderful set of teachers that I can imagine. Staff who love students with a great passion, pour their love and time into providing excellent education, and who live their lives as a daily witness to their savior. My classroom is filled with amazing students who daily live the joy of knowing Christ as their redeemer. They fill this place with their eagerness to be at school, their laughter fills the hallways, and their smiles brighten my day. Calvary parents and supporters provide daily strength and support to make this school grow. Your time, talents, and prayers are constantly lifting this school up and I thank God for each and every one of you. Calvary's staff wishes you and your family a very blessed Thanksgiving.

Calendar of Events

11-21-06	Last Day of Classes – Thanksgiving break begins
11-27-06	Classes resume
12-01-06	Christmas Float Assembly
12-02-06	Calvary Float in Jefferson City Christmas Parade
12-09-06	Bake Sale items brought in
12-10-06	Calvary Fundraiser Winter Breakfast and Bake Sale at Trinity
12-12-06	Calvary Christmas Concert & Art Show
12-15-06	End of 3 Week Grading Period
12-22-06	Last Day of Classes – Christmas break begins
01-03-07	Classes resume
01-12-07	End of 2 nd Quarter
01-15-07	No Classes – Parent Teach Conferences: 3:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Calvary's First Basketball Game – Stover, Tuesday, November 28 6:00 p.m.

Calvary Lutheran High School is now a couple weeks into its first basketball season. The basketball players have big smiles on their faces and an incredible amount of pep in their step for the quantity of work they are putting in. Thank you for your significant effort to get the students to practices and games. We dearly look forward to the day when we can have our own facilities for sports and

athletic recreation. In the meantime, we are grateful for the kindness of Trinity Lutheran School to share their excellent gym facilities with us.

Calvary's first basketball competition will be an away game against Stover at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28. Players are expected to be there, in uniform, for warm-up by 5:30 p.m. There is significant talk around the school about a possible spirit squad that will also travel with the co-ed team to cheer them on. It has been a significant challenge to find schools against whom we can compete because so many teams have schedules prepared years in advance. It currently looks like we may have secured 10 or more games for our team, and we will be providing you a definitive schedule as soon as one has reached fairly stable form.

Calvary Christmas Float Assembly – Friday, December 1 6:00 p.m.

Calvary Lutheran High School will have a float in the Jefferson City Christmas Parade for the 3rd year in a row. The Calvary Active Parent Group has done the planning and preparing, and the students are talking about playing their part as lions, banner bearers, or school children from long ago. Please plan to join us as we put the finishing touches on the Calvary Float on Friday, December 1 at 6:00 p.m. Students and families who can help are asked to please meet at Missouri Rural Services Corp., 1913 Southridge Drive.

Jefferson City Christmas Parade – Saturday, December 2 2:00 p.m.

On the day of the Jefferson City Christmas Parade, Calvary supporters are asked to dress warmly and meet early to prepare for the event. Students who have volunteered to dress as lions need to arrive at Missouri Rural Services Corp., 1913 Southridge Drive by 11:00 a.m. so they can have their faces painted as a lion. Students who have agreed to dress as old time school children are asked to meet at 12:00 noon to receive instructions and get dressed up. Everyone else should plan to meet at the float by 1:00 p.m. Please dress up warmly below your Calvary clothing and put an extra large smile on your face.

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Calvary Bake Sale Items – Saturday, December 9 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Calvary will have a Christmas bake sale in conjunction with the Pancake breakfast held on December 10. We welcome donations of Christmas goodies that can be used in the sale. Please bring donated items in marked bags to Trinity Lutheran School Cafeteria on Saturday December 9 between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. or drop off your baked items at Calvary on Friday, December 8.

Calvary Fundraiser Pancake Breakfast at Trinity – Sunday, December 10 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Please help Calvary to have a very successful Winter Breakfast and Bake Sale at Trinity Lutheran Church on December 10 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Are you able to assist in one or more of these ways? If you can help on the day of the event, please contact Wayne Englebrecht at 635-2348 to identify what task you will assist with. If you enjoy baking, please consider making some delicious creations for the bake sale. We encourage everyone to spread information concerning this event to increase our attendance. And finally, plan for your family to join us for good food following church.

Calvary Christmas Concert & Art Show – Tuesday, December 12 7:00 p.m.

It wasn't until we began planning for this Christmas concert that I was really able to stand back and thank God for how large Calvary has grown. It appears that we will have our first Calvary family-only event with over 100 attendees! Praise God!

Tuesday, December 12th promises to be a joyous evening filled with wonderful music, warm Christmas cheer, and beautiful Calvary artwork. Calvary choir members need to arrive by 6:15 p.m.

and everyone else should be prepared for a 7:00 p.m. start. Please plan to stay around for a short reception of cookies, punch, and hot chocolate following the concert.

Notes from the Principal

PR Displays

Calvary's Desktop Publishing and Web Design course has completed a large display giving a student's perspective on the experiences and excitement of attending Calvary Lutheran High School. These students and families have been encouraged to set up their professional display at the back of their church or in another area where they can increase the community awareness of our school. If you have access to an ideal location for one of these large displays, please contact Mr. Ahlers and we can make arrangements for you to receive one. As we are preparing to open enrollment for next year, you are our greatest supporters for getting information into the community and encouraging families to send their children to our school. Please consider how you can help us.

Bad Weather

As we approach winter, there is the possibility that weather conditions will force us to cancel classes. We have made arrangements in our school calendar that we can have up to 1 cancelled school day without having to make up that day at another time. Additional days will require rescheduling. I want to remind you that if Jefferson City Public School cancels classes due to bad weather conditions, we also will be dismissed from school. It is our goal to have Calvary specifically mentioned on numerous radio and television stations, but in case we are not successful, with this information you will be able to have a definitive answer without having to contact other staff members.

Wooden Flower Containers

Mother's Day Flower Sale, Saturday May 12, may seem a long way away, but some preparations are already under way. Ralph Wehmeyer invites others interested in wood working to join him in his woodshop during the cold days of winter to build wooden flower planters for this Calvary fund raiser. For those who enjoy wood working, this will be an enjoyable time building and socializing. Contact Ralph at 896-5511 and share the opportunity with those you know that would enjoy this project.

Lock-In

It is with great thankfulness that I am able to share my pleasure at the success of Calvary's first Lock-in. Back on November 3, we were able to enjoy some great student fellowship as nearly every Calvary student joined together for an all night party. I was very pleased with the politeness and youthful joy that went on that evening. Many students are already planning for another lock-in and gathering ideas to increase the variety of activities and have even more fun. This event date is uncertain at this time, but we may be looking at early February. Thank you for your efforts to allow this event by providing food and transportation and dealing with tired students afterwards.